

March 1996 Newsletter

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Winter White Greetings!

We beat it! The most recorded snow in New Jersey! The 48 year old record has been broken and the Blizzard of '96 will be most remembered! Couldn't let this be unsaid (again). Farewell '47; all hail '96!

Of course we wouldn't want the white stuff on Monday, March 18th. That's when Debbie Tintle has arranged for artist Elza Dima to do a watercolor demonstration, 7:30 pm at the Somerset County/Bridgewater Library, and I know everyone will enjoy it. Elza has many awards to her credit as well as membership in the Garden State Watercolor Society and the New Jersey Watercolor Society, among other organizations.

More good news! The New York City bus trip is on! Robert Tobey is the chairman and the trip will be Saturday, April 27. We'll meet at 8:45 at the Somerville Circle, in the parking lot near Linens & Things and the "new" drug store (where Epsteins and Reynolds used to be). As usual (why spoil a great thing?) we go first to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and then at 2 the bus will pick us up and we'll go to the Salmagundi Club for the AWS Show. We get back 5:30ish. The cost is only \$16. and your check for that, made out to RVAA should be mailed (fairly pronto to insure your fanny a seat) to Robert Tobey at 353 Vosseller Avenue, Bound Brook, NJ, 08805. Incidentally that weekend is THE last weekend the Faberge exhibit will be at the Met. All those glittery eggs and baubles!

And our Spring Members' Show is ON! Art Trippanera suggested the Manville Library (Somerset/Bridgewater was previously booked), which has excellent exhibition facilities, and President Ed Golubiewski, who has been in contact with them, tells us we can have our Members' Show there; it can even run two months-June/July. More on this later and also on the special show we'll have in July at the Somerset County (Court) Administration Building. You may remember we had a show there last summer and the Somerset County Cultural & Heritage Commission has invited us back.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Linda Beazley and Elsa Herrmann both had works accepted into the juried

Hunterdon Art Association Members' Show at the Hunterdon Art Center in January and February. Linda and Elsa also have paintings in the Lambertville Historical Society and Coryell Gallery Annual Juried Exhibit in the Coryell Gallery (in Lambertville) presently until March 17.

A show of Bridgewater artist residents is at the Bridgewater Municipal Building now until March 31st. Over 50 artists have from one to three works there now--among them RVAA members Linda Beazley, Ken Bernhard, Marge Braun, Marian Cornwell, Irma Simonsen, and Diana Patton. Since they couldn't give me all the names over the phone, and I haven't been able to see the show yet, please, any of you I missed, I'll be glad to put in next month's Newsletter (and any other news you might have).

Diana Patton's show of 35 works at the Medical Center at Princeton opens with a reception 4-6 pm Friday, March 15. You are all heartily invited to come eat, drink, & talk. The show/reception is in their dining hall gallery, at the hospital, Witherspoon St. Miniatures and one-of-a-kind (costume)jewelry sculpted & collaged by Diana will only be at the reception. Show runs until May 16.

Debbie Tintle and Charlotte Picone were accepted into the first Juried Members' Show in the new Somerset Art Association building's Johnson Gallery. Debbie won Best of Show for her "Homeless in Venice" and Charlotte won an Honorable Mention. Debbie also won an Award of Merit in the Essex Watercolor Club Members' Show in Chatham.

So--when next we communicate it will be spring! Don't forget to put those souvenir '96 snowballs in your freezer.